

PURPOSE OF DOCUMENT

The Intergovernmental Referral Guide (IRG) is a centralized, automated repository of information provided by the Office of Child Support Enforcement (OCSE) on its Website to support interstate child support enforcement efforts by state and federal agencies. It contains State Profiles, which provide information on each state's laws, procedures, and processes affecting numerous facets of child support. It also contains Federal Interstate Processing Standards (FIPS) codes (unique numeric addresses for states, counties, and countries) and address information for Child Support Enforcement (CSE) agency offices.

The IRG Public User Guide provides the public with step-by-step guidance in using the IRG System and is organized as follows:

Part 1.0, "Introduction to the IRG", provides background and a brief description of the two components that comprise the IRG: the State Profiles and FIPS codes and addresses.

Part 2.0, "Viewing State Profiles", describes how to view state child support enforcement profile information.

Part 3.0, "Viewing FIPS Codes and Addresses", describes how to view FIPS codes and contact information for state, county, and international Child Support Enforcement agencies, as well as addresses for central and regional OCSE offices.